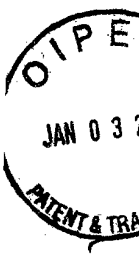


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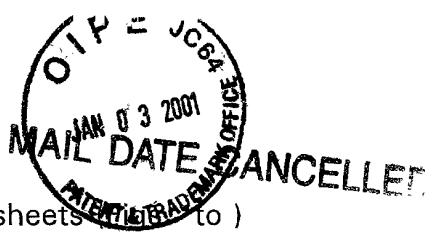
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This is a continuation application under 35 U.S.C. 111 of the above-identified international application designating the U.S. The following are enclosed:

1. An English translation of the international application as originally filed, including any amendments entered during the international stage.
2. ☒ Declaration, petition and power of attorney
3. ☒ Formal drawings, 20 sheets (Figs. 1 to 46)

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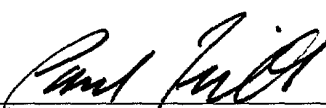


- ☐ Informal drawings, sheets (to)
4. ☒ Assignment for recording to: METALOGENIA, S.A.
5. ☒ Check in the amount of filing fee: 355.00 (See attached Fee Computation Sheet)
6. ☒ Verified statement claiming small entity status.
7. ☐ Cancel claims .
8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
"This is a continuation of International Application Serial
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which is incorporated herein by reference."
9. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is also enclosed.
10. ☒ Priority is claimed for this application, corresponding application/s
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Date: **3 July 1998**

The priority document will follow.

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